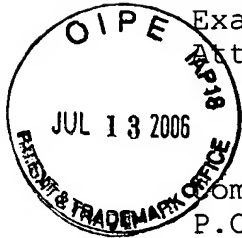


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: David T. Chen et al.  
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For: ANATOMICAL VISUALIZATION SYSTEM  
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Examiner: John P. Leubecker  
Attorney's Docket No.: MMS-24 CON



Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND

Applicants hereby petition for a three (3) month extension of time to respond to the outstanding OFFICIAL ACTION mailed January 9, 2006 with respect to the above-identified patent application, thereby extending the time for response from April 9, 2006 to July 9, 2006.

Applicants note that inasmuch as July 9, 2006 falls on a Sunday, the response is actually due on Monday, July 10, 2006.

A check in the amount of \$510.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the petition fee. This petition fee has been calculated on the basis of a Small Entity status.

In the event that any additional fees may be required to be paid in connection with this matter, please charge the same, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-0221. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed for the convenience of the Office.

Thank you.

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